

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEBRASKA**

<b>UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,</b>	)	
	)	
<b>Plaintiff,</b>	)	<b>8:11CR391</b>
	)	
<b>vs.</b>	)	<b>FINDINGS AND</b>
	)	
<b>CHRISTOPHER DOUGLAS,</b>	)	<b>RECOMMENDATION</b>
	)	
<b>Defendant.</b>	)	<b>ON GUILTY PLEA</b>

On December 14, 2011, defendant Christopher Douglas (Douglas), together with his counsel, Assistant Federal Public Defender Michael F. Maloney, appeared before the undersigned magistrate judge. Douglas was advised of the charge, the penalties, and the right to appear before a United States District Judge. After orally consenting to proceed before a magistrate judge, Douglas entered a plea of guilty to Count I of the Information.

After being sworn, Douglas was orally examined by the undersigned magistrate judge in open court as required by Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 11. Douglas also was given the advice required by that Rule. Finally, Douglas was given a full opportunity to address the court and ask questions.

Counsel for the government and counsel for Douglas were given the opportunity to suggest additional questions by the court. Moreover, both counsel orally certified that they were of the opinion that the plea was knowing, intelligent and voluntary, and that there was a factual basis for Douglas' plea of guilty to Count I of the Information.

Therefore, I find and conclude that: (1) the plea is knowing, intelligent, and voluntary; (2) there is a factual basis for the plea; (3) the provisions of Rule 11 and any other provisions of the law governing the submission of guilty pleas have been complied with; (4) a petition to enter a plea of guilty, on a form approved by the court, was completed by Douglas, Douglas' counsel and counsel for the government, and such petition was placed in the court file; (5) the plea agreement is in writing and is filed in the court file; (6) there are no agreements or stipulations other than those contained in the written plea agreement.

**IT IS RECOMMENDED TO JUDGE JOSEPH F. BATAILLON that:**

1. He accept the guilty plea and find the defendant, Christopher Douglas, guilty of the crime set forth in Count I of the Information to which Douglas tendered a guilty plea;
2. He accept the written plea agreement with the understanding that the court is not bound by the parties' stipulations, but may with the aid of the presentence report, determine the facts relevant to sentencing.

**ADMONITION**

Pursuant to NECrimR 59.2 any objection to this Findings and Recommendation shall be filed with the Clerk of the Court within fourteen (14) days after being served with a copy of this Findings and Recommendation. Failure to timely object may constitute a waiver of any such objection. The brief in support of any objection shall be filed at the time of filing such objection. Failure to file a brief in support of any objection may be deemed an abandonment of the objection.

DATED this 14th day of December, 2011.

BY THE COURT:

s/Thomas D. Thalken  
United States Magistrate Judge